



This Week's Program

Wednesday, April 2

"Brightline West – The Bullet Train to Vegas"

Antonio Castelan

*Director of Public Affairs
Brightline West*

The Queen Mary - Grand Salon

LUNCH - 12:00 Noon -- PROGRAM - 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.



Antonio Castelan is the Director of Public Affairs for Brightline West, where he leads public relations and community engagement efforts for the high-speed rail project connecting Las Vegas to Southern California.

Antonio is an accomplished communications professional with a distinguished journalism and public relations career. Previously, he was the Director of Media Relations for HCA Healthcare, overseeing media relations for 14 hospitals across South Florida, Las Vegas, and Southern California.

Before his work in public relations, Antonio was a General Assignment Reporter for News 3 Las Vegas and NBC4 LA. His journalism career also included reporting for San Diego 6 (XETV).

Born in Chicago and raised in Donna, Texas, Antonio holds a Bachelor of Arts in Communications from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. He is based in Las Vegas, Nevada, and can be reached at acastelan@brightlinewest.com.



Attention all Rotary Club of Long Beach members

By Michele A. Dobson, Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation Chair

This is your chance to get involved. We are seeking **nominations** to the Long Beach Rotary Charitable Foundation (LBRCF) Board of Directors. Whether nominating yourself or a fellow member, send your nominations to Madrid (madrid@rotarylongbeach.org) **by April 3, 2025.**



LBRCF operates as a separate entity from the Rotary Club of Long Beach, dedicated to supporting various projects aligned with our Club's mission. This includes initiatives like Camp Enterprise, Reading by 9, Feeding the Future, Bikes for Kids, and various international projects.

Two at-large members from the Rotary Club are added to the LBRCF Board for a three-year term. The criteria for selecting these members are established by the Rotary Club of Long Beach's Board of Directors.

Nominees must:

- Be active members of the Rotary Club of Long Beach for at least three years.
- Have held a leadership role or contributed significantly to a sanctioned project within the Club.
- Demonstrate a commitment to our Club's values and be ready to fulfill LBRCF duties if selected.

The President's Council is tasked with selecting two nominees annually from the Rotary Club membership. Here's how it works:

Nominations are solicited in March via the RotaryGram and weekly Club meetings.

- In April, the President's Council reviews nominations and selects two nominees to serve on the LBRCF Board for three years, starting in July.
- The selected individuals are presented to the Rotary Club of Long Beach's Board of Directors for approval in May.
- For inquiries, reach out to Michele Dobson or Madrid Zimmerman.

Let's shape the future of our Rotary community together. Your participation matters!

5 O'Clock Somewhere



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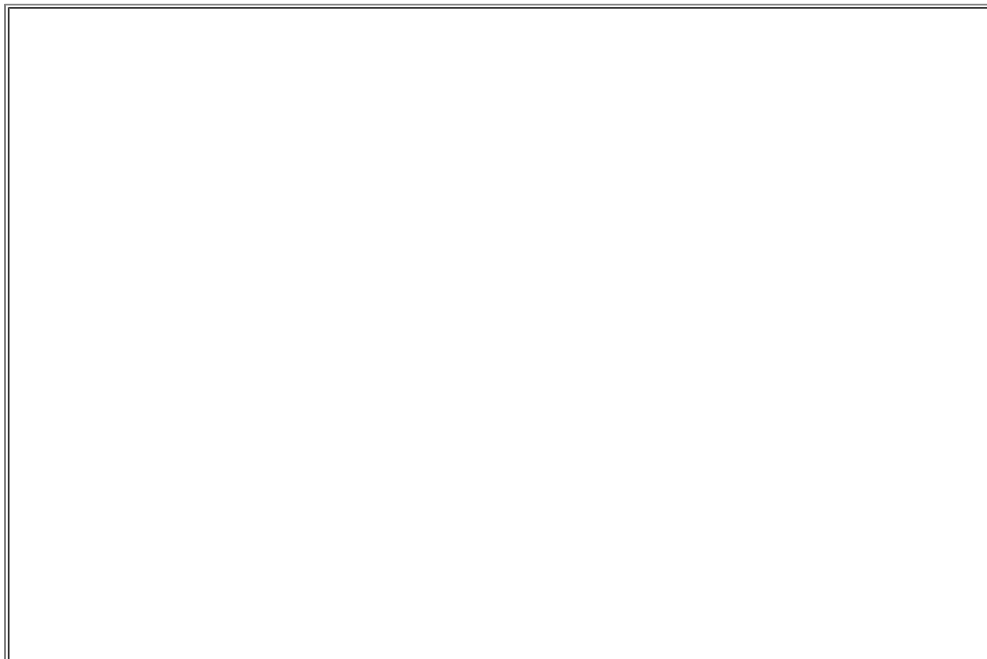
**628 Alamitos Avenue, LB
Tues, April 8 | 5 - 7 P.M.**


Join us for an evening of wine, appetizers, and a special guided tour of the vibrant Latin American Art collection, hosted by Rotarian Solimar Salas.

Bring a potential new member and enjoy an unforgettable cultural experience!
RSVP to Madrid@rotarylongbeach.org




Spring Egg Hunt and Book Fair









THE ANNUAL MARK BIXBY MEMORIAL

Easter Egg Hunt

& PAUL KENNARD

Book Fair

Saturday, April 19, 2025
12:00 PM – 2:30 PM

BUNNY PHOTO OPS – 12:00PM (BRING A CAMERA!)
EGG HUNT UNDER 3 YRS. – 12:15 PM
EGG HUNT CHILDREN AGES 4-12 – 12:30PM

Rotary Centennial Park
1729 Junipero Ave, Long Beach, CA 90804
(located in the diagonal between Pacific Coast Hwy / Junipero)

FEATURING FREE PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE EASTER BUNNY, A SEARCH FOR FREE HIDDEN EGGS THROUGHOUT THE PARK, PLUS A BOUNCE HOUSE, FACE PAINTING, EGG BAG DECORATING AND A FREE BOOK!

APPROVED BY THE CITY OF LONG BEACH
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION & MARINE,
AND THE OFFICE OF 6TH DISTRICT
COUNCILMEMBER, DR. SUELY SARO


REV 03/04/25




*meet the
Easter Bunny
and take
photos!*



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Rotary Night @ Blair Field

By Lance R. Kenyon, Long Beach Rotary Scholarship Foundation CSULB Committee Chair



ROTARY Night at Blair Field CSULB Dirtbags vs USC Trojans Baseball

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

5:00pm - Pre-Game Reception at 1st Base Pavilion

LBRSF Hosted Food and Drink from Legends

6:00pm - Game Time

Presentation of Rotary Scholarship Foundation Check for CSULB Scholarships

to President Jane Close Conoley on the Field !

Purchase Tickets through link: www.longbeachstate.com/Rotary

Please RSVP to scholarships@lbrsf.org



Rotary District 5320 Mental Wellness Walk





The **ROTARY
ROUTE**

MAY 4, 2025

ROTARY DISTRICT 5320 MENTAL WELLNESS WALK

Paving the Way to Mental Health and Awareness in our Communities.

Join us for the Rotary Route, a 1k to 5k walk, as we raise awareness of mental health issues in our communities. Whether you walk individually or with a team, your participation will help bring attention to the importance of mental health, support those affected, and reduce the stigma surrounding these challenges. Bring your friends and family to help spread the message and make a difference in our community.

The Route

Granada Beach, City of Long Beach | 9 AM – 1 PM
5100 E Ocean Blvd, Long Beach, CA 90803

Rotary  **Club of
Long Beach**



**Become a
Non-Profit
Beneficiary**

Be a Walker | Build a Team | Be a Sponsor

Be a Part of the Beach Health Fair



Rotary
District 5320





The ROTARY ROUTE MAY 4, 2025

Granada Beach, City of Long Beach
9 AM - 1 PM
5100 E Ocean Blvd, Long Beach, CA 90803

Joining a walk for mental health can be a meaningful way to show support for individuals affected by mental health issues and contribute to raising awareness about mental health challenges in your community. By participating, you can help reduce the stigma surrounding mental illness, promote understanding, and advocate for access to mental health resources and support services.

In Collaboration with Rotary clubs throughout the Los Angeles and Orange County area, your sponsorship will give your business exposure at **three** individual walks the weekend of May 3 & 4, 2025.

South Orange County | Whittier | Long Beach

Your contribution will benefit local and international mental health organizations, fostering wellness and supported resources.



Register to Walk

\$25 | \$10 | \$5 | Under 3 Free



Apply for Non-Profit Grant
to Benefit from Proceeds

2025 SPONSORSHIP

Paving the Way to Mental Wellness in Log Angeles County

TITLE SPONSORSHIP (2 available)

\$20,000

- Up to 40 participant entries into The Rotary Route event on May 4, 2025
- Logo in premium placement as "Tournament Title Sponsor..." on all marketing
- In Collaboration with Rotary clubs throughout Los Angeles and Orange County, your sponsorship will give your business exposure at **three** individual walks the weekend of May 3 & 4, 2025.
- Exclusive placement of logo at presentation from stage
- Your business logo prominently displayed on event SWAG as Title Sponsor
- Your business logo prominently displayed on a banner at the event as Title Sponsor
- Sponsorship appreciation prominently displayed on Rotary and event social media accounts
- Your business logo will be prominently displayed on the Rotary Route website
- Prominently displayed logo on event ticket
- Time on stage to address the event participants before the event starts
- 6-foot table and two chairs at the Health Fair
- Access to provide promotional material and/or gift in each participant swag bag at each of the **three** walks

BROUGHT TO YOU BY... SPONSORSHIP (2 available)

\$15,000

- Up to 14 participant entries into The Rotary Route event on May 4, 2025
- Logo in premium placement as "Tournament Brought to you by... Sponsor" on all marketing
- In Collaboration with Rotary clubs throughout Los Angeles and Orange County, your sponsorship will give your business exposure at **three** individual walks the weekend of May 3 & 4, 2025.
- Your business logo prominently displayed on event SWAG
- Your business logo prominently displayed on a banner at the event
- Sponsorship appreciation prominently displayed on Rotary and event social media accounts
- Your business logo on the The Rotary Route website
- Recognition from the stage on the day of the event
- 6-foot table and two chairs at the Health Fair
- Access to provide promotional material and/or gift in each participant swag bag at each of the **three** walks

COURAGEOUS SPONSORSHIP

\$10,000

- 10 free entries into The Rotary Route event on May 4, 2025
- In Collaboration with Rotary clubs throughout Los Angeles and Orange County, your sponsorship will give your business exposure at **three** individual walks the weekend of May 3 & 4, 2025.
- Your business logo prominently displayed on a banner at the event
- Sponsor appreciation displayed on Rotary and event social media accounts
- Your business logo on the The Rotary Route website
- Recognition from the stage on the day of the event
- 6-foot table and two chairs at the Health Fair
- Access to provide promotional material and/or gift in each participant swag bag at each of the **three** walks

COMPASSION SPONSORSHIP

\$5,000

- 8 free entries into The Rotary Route event on May 4, 2025
- In Collaboration with Rotary clubs throughout Los Angeles and Orange County, your sponsorship will give your business exposure at **three** individual walks the weekend of May 3 & 4, 2025.
- Your business logo prominently displayed on a banner at the event
- Sponsor appreciation displayed on Rotary and event social media accounts
- Your business logo on the The Rotary Route website
- Recognition from the stage on the day of the event
- 6-foot table and two chairs at the Health Fair
- Access to provide promotional material and/or gift in each participant swag bag at each of the **three** walks

CONNECTION SPONSORSHIP

\$2,500

- 6 free entries into The Rotary Route event on May 4, 2025
- Sponsor appreciation on Rotary and event social media accounts
- Your business logo on the The Rotary Route website
- Recognition from the stage on the day of the event
- 6-foot table and two chairs at the Health Fair
- Access to provide promotional material and/or gift in each participant swag bag at each of the **three** walks

CONFIDENCE SPONSORSHIP

\$1,000

- 4 free entries into The Rotary Route event on May 4, 2025
- Sponsor appreciation on Rotary and event social media accounts
- Your business logo on the The Rotary Route website
- Recognition from the stage on the day of the event
- 6-foot table and two chairs at the Health Fair
- Access to provide promotional material and/or gift in each participant swag bag at each of the **three** walks

COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP

\$500

- 2 free entries into The Rotary Route event on May 4, 2025
- Sponsor appreciation on Rotary and event social media accounts
- Your business logo on the The Rotary Route website
- Recognition from the stage on the day of the event
- 6-foot table and two chairs at the Health Fair
- Access to provide promotional material and/or gift in each participant swag bag at each of the **three** walks

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Rotary Reading by 9 Event - A Thank You From Sarah

Dear Rotary Club Members,

On behalf of CDC, and specifically the staff and children at Twain CDC, I want to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Long Beach Rotary Club for your generous donation of books for all our children and for the time your team spent with us celebrating the *Love of Reading*.

Having nine Rotary Club representatives join our preschoolers made the event even more special. The children were thrilled to engage with new stories and share in the joy of reading with members of the community. Your support helps foster early literacy and a lifelong love of books, which is invaluable in their development.

We truly appreciate your partnership and commitment to education. Thank you for making such a meaningful impact on our young learners!

With gratitude,
Sarah



Sarah Forrester | Director
Child Development Centers
Long Beach Unified School District
(562) 421-8210 | 4400 Ladoga Ave, Lakewood CA 90713



Birthdays - Click on a Name and Send a Greeting!



[Shell W. Grossman](#)
April 2nd



[Alison Bruesehoff](#)
April 2nd



[Kevin F. Pichardo](#)
April 2nd



[Lynne Wainfan PhD](#)
April 3rd



[Blake E. Christian](#)
April 4th



[Craig T. Cross](#)
April 5th



[Lee Shoag](#)
April 6th



[Steven M. Keesal](#)
April 7th

Club Leaders - Click on a Name and Send a Message or Question



[Steve M. Hockett](#)
President



[Katherine \(Kay\) Cofield](#)
Assistant to the President



[Braden James Phillips](#)
Assistant to the President



[Richard Gibson](#)
Vice President



[Lance R. Kenyon](#)
Vice President



[Linda Josephine Rahn](#)
Vice President



[Michael Rivard](#)
Vice President



[John E. Romundstad](#)
Secretary
Treasurer



[Roger Civalieri](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Lisa Finn](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Randall S. Kemner](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Daniel Eufrazio Tapia](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Whitney Leathers](#)
CCO-Club Comm. Offcr



[Lisa Ramelow](#)
CCO-Club Comm. Offcr



[Nancy Zwiers](#)
Career Service Director



[Timothy Aldrete](#)
Club Service Director



[Leslie Wiberg](#)
Community Service Director



[Natalie Hale](#)
Fellowship Service Director



[Matthew L. Kinley](#)
International Service
Director



[Sarah Soriano](#)
Membership Service Co-
Director



[Debbie Thorpe](#)
Membership Service Co-
Director



[Conor Kenneth Weir](#)
Youth Service Director



[Michele A. Dobson](#)
iPast President



[Kelly Ruggirello](#)
President-elect



[Wayne C. Slavitt](#)
President-nominee



[Madrid Zimmerman](#)
Club Director
Club Executive Secretary



[Donald E. Cochran](#)
Rotary International
Foundation Chair

EVENTS

April 2nd, 12:00-1:30 PM

April 8th, 5:00-7:00 PM

April 9th, 12:00-1:30 PM

April 10th, 2:00-3:00 PM

Rotary Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: Antonio Castelan, Dir. Public Affairs
Subject: Brightline West - The Bullet Train to Vegas

Rotary Night at MOLAA
Tour and Wine Reception for Rotary

Rotary Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: Pamela Bozanich
Subject: The Menendez Brothers Trial - Prosecutor Perspective

RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club

April 12th, 8:00-9:00 AM
Centennial Park Clean-up

April 15th, 4:00-5:00 PM
RCLB Board of Directors Meeting




April 16th, 12:00-1:30 PM
Rotary Weekly Club Meeting
Speaker: Alicia Kirkwood
Location: LBCC TTC

April 19th, 12:00-2:00 PM
Centennial Park Spring Egg Hunt/Paul Kennard Book Fair
Annual Spring Egg Hunt/Paul Kennard Book Fair - Centennial Park

April 22nd, 5:00-8:00 PM
LBRSF Annual Sporting Event
Reception and CSULB Dirtbags vs USC Game
Blair Field - First Base Pavilion Light food/drinks provided by LBRSF

April 23rd, 12:00-1:30 PM
Rotary Weekly Club Meeting
Camp Enterprise Kick-off: Thomas O'Leary
Pres/CEO of JetZero

April 24th, 2:00-3:00 PM
RoToastados - A Rotary Toastmaster Alliance Club

	<p>Rotary Club of Long Beach meets every Wednesday @ 12 Noon</p> <p>THE QUEEN MARY 1126 Queens Hwy Long Beach, CA 90802</p> <p><i>LB Skyline Photo Credit Long Beach Convention & Visitors Bureau</i></p> <p>April 2, 2025 - Vol. 108, Issue 34</p>	<p>Club Office Rotary Club of Long Beach The Queen Mary 1126 Queens Hwy. Silvania Room Long Beach, CA 90802 562-499-1752 Rotary@RotaryLongBeach.org</p> <p>Visit Long Beach Rotary District 5320 Rotary International</p>	<p>Visit our Social Media Pages</p>  
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